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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW OFFICIAL ACTION OF APRIL 21, 2004
AND ISSUE A NEW FIRST OFFICIAL ACTION

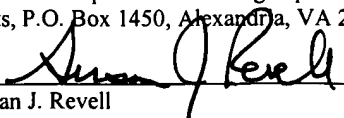
Applicants hereby request that the Official Action of April 21, 2004 be withdrawn and that a new Official Action be issued.

Attention is invited to the fact that a preliminary amendment was filed with this application which deleted Claims 4 to 11. In the Official Action of April 21, 2004, action was given on all claims and the application was treated as if there had not been a restriction requirement in the parent application number 10/050,144, now U.S. Patent No. 6,629,578.

The present application is a division of said Application No. 10/050,144 and the subject matter of Claims 1 to 3 in this application constitutes the nonelected embodiment from the parent application.

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App. No. 10/608,835
Req. to Withdraw Official Action dated June 4, 2004
Resp. to Office Action dated Apr. 24, 2004

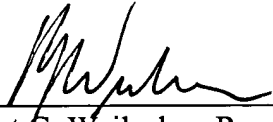
Accordingly, the Official Action should properly have given full examination with respect to Claims 1 to 3 and should not have required election of one of the species identified in paragraph 1 on page 2 of the Official Action of April 21, 2004.

Applicants, therefore, request this matter be expedited and that a new Official Action be issued to replace the Official Action of April 21, 2004.

A request for a one-month extension of time, together with the associated fee, is filed herewith. Also, a request for a refund of the extension of time fee is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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